# NO LIGHT ON BULLER'S PLAN

ONLY SPECULATION AS TO HIS MOVE 10 FLANK THE BOERS.

French Occupies a Good Position Near Colesberg and Col. Pilcher Makes a Reconnoissance From the Modder River Camp Into the Orange Free State-The Attacks on the British Ministry.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Jan. 13.-When for a moment at the beginning of the week the curtain over South African affairs was raised the scene presented to the anxious gaze of the English people caused something resembling stupefaction and scarcely any one hoped that Ladysmith could survive another twenty-four hours. But at the last moment bayonets, wielded with the courage of desperation, saved the situation and, apparently, the Boers have not yet recovered their appetite for further assault.

The political effect on England was visible instantly. The irresponsible journals had for some days been seeking an official scapegoat. but now the regular Government supporters. the Times. Standard, Post and Telegraph turned angrily on the Ministry. In three public speeches Mr. Balfour replied briefly.

His defence amounted to a denial that the Government was responsible for any of the mishaps in South Africa, and in vindication of the War Office he made the assertion that it act sooner than it did as public opinion had not been unanimous in support of warlike preparations and "unanimity is worth many army corps." It was fortunate that Colonial Secretary Chamberiain was kept quiet on this pecasion for even Mr. Balfour, the most popular statesman in Great Britain, was accused of eynicism, frivolity and an open confession that the Government was afraid to take the lead. Some erstwhile supporters even clamored for his removal, but the natural reaction has already set in. By summoning Parliament definitely for Jan. 30 the Government has shown that they are willing to face the music. Quieter counsels, reminding the public of the folly of swapping horses while crossing a stream, are making themselves heard, and it is extremely improbable that a vote of censure can be passed. The Times has cooled off in its attacks, but still complains of the folly of the first message to the colonies that unmounted men were preferred. As a matter of fact Gen. Buller, acting as Commander-in-Chief then, vetoed the acceptance of the Colonial mounted men. It will probably be found, if the whole truth comes out, that Gen Buller is responsible for much that has hitherto been charged against the Cabinet.

As regards the actual war meanwhile the fact that Butler is at Springfield is the only news from the front. The outcome and methods of his operations are completely matters of speculation, but on the former depends his reputation. There is no news of the other columns. It is persistently stated and universally believed that Gen. Methuen has only nominally commanded his division since the Magersfontein fight because his mental balance was upset by he strain. His family history, using the phrase in a medical sense, lends only too much probability to the truth of this report.

The Portuguese Minister called by appointment at the Foreign Office last Saturday and since then Portugal has declared her intention of being more careful in the observation of the duties of a neutral at Delagoa Bay. Almost the entire personnel of the Administration at Lorenzo Marques will probably be changed

There is considerable irritation here over Holland's attitude, which may result in the Foreign Office making another "appoint-The young Queen is intensely proment." Boer, and has written to the Pope, the Kaiser and the King of Italy, begging them to take the diplomatic initiative "to stop this cruel fratrioldal war." She has also shown marks of favor to Dr. Leyds, the Transvaal representative, who with his agents has bought and shipped munitions of war and enlisted officers without hindrance since the war

If contraband of war should be found on any vessels of the German East African line it can certainly be shown that it is there without the the President points out that the owners have too much to risk in such business. They are handsomely subsidized by four Governments, the German, Portuguese, Netherlands and Italian, for carrying the mails and all mail contracts would be void if one of their ships was convicted of illegal actions.

In Europe England's only real friend is Italy and she is proving a friend in need. From the first the Italian Government has put every famility at the disposal of the British officers engaged in buying mules and other things while strictly enforcing the neutrality principle against the Boor agents. Moreover, according known that the Creusot Company had refused to sell guns to England on any terms, word was wired to London from Rome that the famous Italian gunmakers, the Acieries Company, fortunately had ready for shipment a battery of big quick-firers, in every respect the equal of the French weapon. A bargain was struck forthwith, and there is good reason to believe hat the Italian guns are being shipped from Genea to-day. Dr. Leyds, the special Transvaal envoy to Europe, more than suspected the Italian good faith and sent a written protest to me. No notice was taken of it beyond a formal acknowledgment of its arrival.

The report that Russia and France have adressed representations to England respecting interference with private and official deepatches over the eastern cables is entirely without foundation. It would have been strange had they done so, because nothing is clearer than that the international telegraph conventions do not apply in time of war. As a matter fact the British Government asserts that its undeniable rights have been exercised with extreme moderation and the tenderest regard of foreigners. If any Government should at tempt to make a difficulty it would be the easlest thing in the world for the British Admiralty to give the hint, and within a few days the cable would be accidentally cut in the neighborhood of Delagoa Bay. Before he left London Gen. Buller suggested this very course, on the ground that it was evident that, in spite of the e exercised by military censors, the enemy was getting valuable information. But the Government preferred to go on the principle of giving the smallest provocation possible.

# OWNERSHIP OF SEIZED FLOUR.

## Great Britain Insists on This Being Proved Before Cargoes Are Released.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN LONDON, Jan. 13.-Ambassador Choate is still in communication with the British Foreign Office in regard to the flour seizures. He s now awaiting the decision of Great Britain regard to the ownership of the flour. Great Britain insists on ample evidence being pro-

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released.
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LORENZO MARQUES, Jan. 13,-The German cruiser Schwalbe has arrived here.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13,-The State Department has been informed that the Americangoods on the Dutch steamer Maria detained by the British Government on suspicion that they were destined for the Boer army, have been released and are now at Delagoa Bay.

No information about the case of the British steamer Beatrice has been received. The question has been raised that the goods on this vessel are not owned by American citizens. their transfer to foreign subjects at Delagoa Bay having been made, it is alleged, prior to the seizure. The State Department is now engaged in endeavoring to effect an understanding as to the ownership of all the goods detained. The consignors and the consignees will agree as to ownership and the claims for damages will then be presented.

It has been customary for the British prize courts to pay 10 per cent. over and above the value of property seized and the losses caused to the owners by the seizure, and it is supposed was utterly impossible for the Government to that this rule will be followed in the matter of American goods on the Mashona, the Maria and the Beatrice. As the understanding as to ownership will be arranged by mail, considerable time must elapse before the question of compensation is settled.

### FRENCH ON THE BOERS FLANK. Enemy Makes an Unsuccessful Effort to

Dislodge Him From the Position. Special Cable Despatches to THE SUN. RENSBURG, Cape Colony, Jan. 13 .- A strong British force has advanced and encamped on the enemy's east flank. The Boers made an unsuccessful effort to take the position.

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Cape Town, Jan. 9.—A despatch to the Cape Times from Rensburg dated yesterday says: "The following are the details of the disaster to the Suffolk Regiment: Two companies had reached the summit of the hill when Lieut.-Col. Watson addressed the men and ordered a bayonet charge. When the British were within twenty yards of the enemy's entrenchments the Boers fired. Lieut.-Col. Watson fell, shot through the head. His adjutant also fell, but the men continued the charge. Meantime, the Boers crept around and surrounded the men, who, seeing resistance was hopeless, surrendered.

"The Boers treated the wounded well. They assisted in burying the dead and sang psalms over the graves. They refused to return the wounded except two who were seriously hurt.

"On Sunday, a squadron of the Riffe Guarde reconnoitred on the extreme left and unmasked two new guns near Achertang. Visitors to the camp state that the Boer trenches."

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masked two new guns near Achertang. Visitors to the camp state that the Boer trenches are surrounded by wire fences." Forty Boer prisoners taken at Douglas have arrived here. They are of the lowest type of

burghers and are principally squatters, who are known as "poor whites." Owing to the escape of some prisoners from Simon's Town, all communication with the prison ship Manila has been stopped.

LONDON, Jan. 14 .- Lloyd's Weskly Newspaper prints the following despatch dated Belmont, Cape Colony, Jan. 10.

"Col. Pilcher with 400 Canadians and Queenslanders and a battery of Royal Horse Artillery, made a reconnoissance yesterday and advanced ten miles into the Free State. They sighted a patrol of the enemy at Kar-rieltagte. The Boers fled, abandoning their

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## Great Crowd Gives the Troops an Enthusiastic Send Off.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, Jan. 13 .- The first 500 London volunteers started for South Africa this morning and received an enthusiastic send off. Despite the early hour of the start-7 A. M.-the streets were densely crowded with persons desirous

of saying farewell to the soldiers. Every grade of society was represented in the crowds which thronged the streets along the entire three miles of the line of march to the railway station. There were not enough police to keep the streets clear and the people broke through the lines and caused an hour's

# MAY COURT-MARTIAL HOFFMAN.

Member of the Cape Assembly Who Joine the Boers a Prisoner at De Aar.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. CAPE Town, Jan. 9 .- It is reported that Mr. Hoffman, a member of the Cape Assembly, who joined the Boers as a surgeon, is a pris-oner at De Aar and in all probability will be court-martialed.

fight near Colesberg on Jan. 6. This list shows that six men of the Suffolk Regiment are dead and twenty-eight wounded.

The War Office adds one more name to the list of those killed in the light at Maleking on Dec. 26. It also states that three of the manual dead war died since the last of the second of the

mission.)—Heavy cannonading was heard in the direction of Kimberley between 5 and 7

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PRICE SENT TO RUN THE BROOKLYN DETECTIVE BUREAU.

Sapt. Reynolds No Longer Chief Sleuth in the seizure of the steamship Bulkers and semithe Reichstag on Jan. 19. It is announced, semiofficially, that the negotiations between Great
Britain and Germany in regard to the seizure and Rhodes Shift—Other Transfers.
of German vessels are progressing satisfactory.

The following transfers in the Police Depart-The following transfers in the Police Depart-

ment were ordered by Chief Devery yesterday. to take effect at 8 o'clock this morning: Inspector Donald Grant, from the Eleventh district, Queens, to the Seventh district, Brook

lyn. Inspector George R. Rhodes, from the Sev enth to the Eleventh district. Sergeant Bernard Cole, from command of

Bureau, Brooklyn, to Atlantic avenue. Capt, James K. Price, from the Tenderloin precinct to Detective Bureau, Brooklyn. Capt. Andrew Thomas, from East Twentysecond street to the Tenderloin. Capt. John J. Donohue, from East Sixtyseventh street to East Twenty-second. Capt. Stephen S. Brown, from West 125th street to East Sixty-seventh street.

Capt, Henry Steinkamp, from West Sixtyeighth street to West 125th. Sergt. Frank Kear, West Sixty-eighth street, to command, Acting Capt, Jacob Brown, from Madison street to Grand Central Station. Acting Capt. Samuel Hammond, from Grand

Central Station to Madison street. Capt. Alexander J. Lees, from Vernon avenue. Brooklyn, to Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn. Capt. James Ennis, Eastern Parkway to Rainh avenue, Brooklyn.

Capt. Henry C. Velsor, from Ralph avenue to Vernon avenue. Sergt. William Zwingman, from DeKalb avenue, Brooklyn, to Miller avenue, Brooklyn, Sergt. John F. Gardner, from Miller avenue

Sergt. Joseph A. Saul, from Union Market to Eldridge street.

Sergt. Cornelius G. Hays, from Eldridge

county Grand Jury for the blundering management of the whole case led to a sitting investigation by the Police Board, and the shake-up is the sequel.

The Fifty-second precinct, to which Capt. Reynolds has been assigned, has long been regarded as the least desirable in Brooklyn. The station at Atlantic and Schenectady avenues is known as the "hoodoo" station, and officers and man have dreaded to be sent there. Serat. Cole has been in command of the precinct since the transfer of Capt. Collins to the Seventy-second nearly a year ago.

Capt. Reynolds has been on the force twenty-seven years. Af it serving as a patrolman for over ten years. Af it serving as a patrolman for over ten years. Af its sixth avenue station he was appointed a precinct detective by Police Commissioner James Jourdan, and some time afterwar was transferred to the headquarters squad. He was detective-sergeant in charge of the squad before his promotion to a captaincy by the late Commissioner Welles, about three years ago. It was by a special act of the Legislature, passed in his interest, that he got installed as captain of the Detective Hureau and there was some talk last night that he might probably contend in the courts against the power of the Chief to transfer him.

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GEN. ROBERTS'S PLANS.

If Buller Succeeds a General Advance Will Be Made on Bloemfontein.

Special Cable Despute to The Sun.

London, Jan. 14.—The Observer states it understands that Col. William G. Tucker will succeed Gen. Methuen in command of the Kimberley relieving force. It also states that Gen. Gatacre will be recalled and that a well-known Colonel of cavalry will be cashiered. The paper says that if Gen. Buller is successful at the Tugela River there will be a general advance on Bloemfontein.

It is said that Field Marshal Roberte's plant includes a withdrawal of part of the Modder River force to Orange River.

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has been a Republican all his life. In spite of his age and prolonged public service, he is still active and vigorous.

Capt. Lees, who goes from the Tompkins avenue to the Eastern Parkway station, a less important post, is also a Republican. It was in his precinet that Franklin syndicate Miller carried on his "financial" operations. Capt. Velsor, who goes from Ralph avenue to the Tompkins avenue station, is a Democrat. Capt. Ennis, who has been shifted from the Eastern Parkway station back to his old post in Ralph avenue, is also a Democrat.

Deputy Chief Mackellar declined last night to make any comments on the shake-up. Capt. Reynolds expressed great astonishment at the news of his transfer. He said that President York had assured him, at a late hour in the evening, that he had no knowledge of it. "As have not as yet heard officially of the transfer," he said. "I can hardly believe, in view of President York's statement, that it has been made. Mr. York, it seems, would certainly know about it. If it is so, however, I will boyfully accept the situation and go out to the Atlantic avenue station with the confidence that, in spite of the so-called 'hoodoo,' I will have more peace and quietness than I have had here. Any talk about my making a fight to stay here is all nonsense. The only thing I regret is that I am going before Miller is in custody. It was my intention to have requested a transfer just as soon as Miller had been captured, for captured he will be some day."

Capt. Price was not very communicative about his view of his new assignment last night. He said that police duty was like a solider's duty to him; he would so where he was ordered and do the work he was teld to do there.

"To tell the honest truth," he said. "I don't here when I here the little document is the solider of the content of th

BRITISH LOSSES.

Boer Report Says Six of the Suffolk Regiment Were Killed Near Colesberg.

Special Cable Despatch to Tar Sun.

London, Jan. 13.—The War Office has issued a list received from the Boer Commandants at Pretoria and Bloemfontein, referring to the fight near Colesberg on Jan. 6. This list shows that six men of the Suffolk Regiment are deal and twenty-eight wounded. The War Office adds one more name to the list of those killed in the fight at Matching on Dec. 2d. It also states that three of the wounded have died since the battle.

HEAVY FIRING AT KIMBERLEY.

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# IT IS NOW "UP TO" DEVERY.

Police Board Weary of Shouldering Blame for "Wide-Open" Town.

Troubles are multiplying for the Police Board and there are signs in Mulberry Street that it may not forever bear them patiently Two weeks ago the Sabbath Observance League protested against the Sunday shows. especially theatrical performances that went on unhindered in defiance of law, and the board sent out orders to have them stopped. Then came the East Side Reform Committee with its just grievances, and more orders went out from Headquarters after a long pow-wow from which the Commissioners came away strongly impressed with the need of doing something. Yesterday the Actors' Church Alliance came up to the attack. The alliance is an organization of elergymen and actors, with Bishop Potter as its President, whose special tlantic avenue station, Brooklyn, to desk duty. object is to stop Sunday performances in thea-Capt. James B. Reynolds, from Detective tres. The Secretary, the Rev. Walter E. Bentley, wrote to President York that the Sunday

tres. The Secretary, the Rev. Walter E. Bentley, wrote to President York that the Sunday law was "constantly violated" at the Dewey Theatre, Koster & Bial's. Hurtig & Seamon's, Weber & Fields', Miner's in 125th street and at the Star Theatre. On behalf of the alliance, he requested "immediate action."

The beardreferred the letter to the Chief, directing his immediate attention to it, with the request that he "report with the least possible delay." Having done that, it told the chief clerk to send Mr. Bentley a copy of the resolutions of Dec. 2°. The resolutions commanded "rigid compliance" with the law in theatres and halis. Weekly reports sent in since by the Chief have represented that the order was carried out to the letter. The Commissioners, in executive session, expressed a desire to know how, if that were the case, there could be cause for such complaint as Bishop Potter's society made. There was evidence of a somewhat persistent desire to know which was mistaken, the Chief or the Bishop's representative. For this reason, and for others, the Chief's reports of to-day's doings will be scrutinized with more than ordinary care in the Commissioners' office. The absolute faith in executive infailibility which used to repose in the upper stories of Headquarters has been somewhat shaken by these repeated attacks, and threats that the Commissioners at which, it is Intimated, the former has been for the first time put in the position of defending himself, and even made to give piedges for the future. The board is content to wait a reasonable time to see them redeemed; but if they are not, it is disposed to "use other measures." What these measures may be can be inferred. As an old stager in Mulberry streetput it vesterday. "It is disposed to "use other measures." What these measures may be can be inferred. As an old stager in Mulberry streetput it vesterday. "It is disposed to "use other measures." What these measures may be can be inferred. As an old stager in Mulberry streetput it vesterday. "It is disposed to

## FELIX MORRIS DEAD.

On the Stage for Thirty Years and Seven

Years With Rosina Vokes. Felix Morris, one of the best known of characteractors, died yesterday of pneumonia at his home, 42 Irving Place. On New Year's Day while playing at Hyde & Bahman's theatre in Brooklyn, he complained of a pain in his chest and during the entire week he was ill, but insisted on filling his contract and acting throughout the week. On Wednesday last he was forced to take to his bed and yesterday morning he died. His wife and two daughters were with him. The funeral will be to-morrow from the All Souls' Church, at 11:30 o'clock. the Rev. Dr. Thomas R. Slicer and the Rev. Dr. Minot J. Savage officiating. The interment will be at Albany.

Felix Morris was born flity years ago in Birkenhead, England. His early youth was spent in Jamaica, where his father was interested in some plantations, and in the Island of Sieily. returned to England when about 17 and began to study medicine, but he showed much greater aptitude for theatricals and was a well-known amateur. He came to this country a year or two later and worked as a drug clerk in Boston, but kept up his interest in the stage work, and soon went to Albany. where he played his first engagement in the company of John Albaugh, which had E. I Day inport as the star. Later he supported Junius Brutus Booth, Mrs. Agnes Booth and Joseph Wheelock. Then he went on the road with poor companies and little success. He joined next the company of John T. Raymond and afterward was in the companies of Char-lotte Crampton, Jane Coombs and Mrs. D. P

and afterward was in the companies of Charlotte Crampton, Jane Coombis and Mrs. D. P. Bowers.

After appearing in the supporting company of Adelaide Neison he attempted to manage a theatre in Montreal, but lost every cent he had. He came to this city after the smash and appeared in the companies of Mme. Modeska and Mary Anderson. Then he went with Lotta and made much of the success of Musekite." Then came his appearances with the elder Boucicauit and following this came his greatest. New York hit, when he appeared as the English reporter in the production of Michael Strogoff at Booth's Theatre. At the expiration of this run, he went to San Francisco where he was married to Miss Florence Wood, who appeared in the company of Angustin Daly. On his return to New York, he joined A. M. Palmer's Union Square Theatre company and made many hits. He dramatized at this time a novel named "Mona" for Helen Dauvray, and he was also the author of a number of short plays.

He returned to England and for more than a year appeared as the Scotchman in the play "On Change." This was an exceptional run in those days. On his return to this country he appeared with Roshia Vokes, first as leading man and afterward as co-star. After seven years the Vokes company was broken up by Miss Vokes's retirement from the stage about three months before her death. Morris and his wife tried sturring in Miss Vokes's repertoire but were not very successful. After playing in vaudeville, at the continuous performance houses for two years. Morris became a member of Daniel Frohman's Lyceum Theatre stock company, and was nominally a member of it up to the time of his death. The last show he appeared in with that company was "At the White Horse Tavern." During his contract with Mr. Frohman, he was allowed to appear in the continuous performance houses as a star. His last appearance in Manhatian was at Keith's Theatre for the week of Dec. 4. He leaves his wife and two daughters fairly well provided for.

# CANADA'S FOLUNTEERS.

Concentrating at Halifax and Will Be

Ready to Sail About Jan. 20. HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 13.-The second Canadian contingent is concentrating at Halifax as fast as the Militia Department can get the men together from the various points in the Dominion where they have been enrolled. The contingent of 1,200 men will be about equally divided between artiflery and cavalry. Detachments from Winnipeg and Regina ar-

rived to-day with their horses, bringing into the city a force of 150 cavalry. They were enrolled chiefly from the Royal Canadian Dra-goons of Winniper and the Manitoba Dragoons. The first are from the permanent force Military of Canada and the latter from volunteer cav-airy. Twenty men from the Northwest Mounted Police. "Riders of the Plains." from Regins, also arrived.

Early next week, 300 cavalry from Ontario and western points will arrive and the artiflery will also enter the city. Embarkation for South Africa will not take place till Jan. 20. or a day or two later.

Rejected Volunteer Kills Himself. OTTAWA, Ont. Jan. 13 .- A telegram received at the Mounted Police Heaquarters to-day from Commissioner Herchmer, at Regina, states that Corporal Lindsay of the mounted police, has killed himself because he was rejected for service with the second contingent for South Africa. He had been eight years in the

Mule Purchases by England Stopped. NEW ORLEANS, La., Jan. 13,-An order was received here to-night by the British Consul received here to-night by the British Consul and British officer stationed here to cease at once all purchases and shipment of mules. There are now three transports here awaiting cargoes of mules and two on their way here. There are 2,500 mules in the city, half of them aboard ship, and half awaiting shipment, and 2,500 on their way here from Kansas City and St. Louis. No explanation is given of this order but one is promised Monday.

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SUPT. KILBURN FINDS IT HAS A SURPLUS OF AT LEAST \$1,000,000.

Abram Kling, a Stockholder, Petitioned the Governor for an Inquiry, Alleging Improper Loans-Supt. Kilburn Says the Loans Are Amply Secured-President

The examination into the affairs of the State Trust Company of 100 Broadway. which has been conducted by Gen. Avery D. Andrews, who has just resigned as Adjutant General of Gov. Roosevelt's staff. has been completed, and Gen. Andrews turned over his report yesterday to Frederic D. Kilburn. Superintendent of the State Banking Department, for whom the investigation was conducted. After examining the report Supt. Kilburn wrote the following letter, which was given out for publication:

Walter S. Johnston, Eig., President the State Trust "DEAR SIE: In order that the public may get no false impression as to the standing and the affairs of the State Trust Company, I wish to state that I find it in an entirely solvent condi-tion, having a surplus of of least \$1,000,000.

"F. D. KILBURN, Superintendent of Banks." It appears that the attention of the Banking Department was called to the company by a former director of the American Surety Company, Abram Kling, a stockholder in the trust company, who sent to Gov. Roosevelt a sort of petition for an inquiry into the company's affairs. This document gave a list of certain

loans of the company, as follows: Daniel H. Shes.
Moore & Schley
Anthony N. Brady
William F. Sneehan
Louis F. Payn
Metropolitan Traction Company.

\$5,182,800 Kling went on to say that the \$2,000,000 loan to Shea was really to William C. Whitney and his associates, several of whom with him are trustees of the company an! that this is in violation of law: that the \$1,000,000 loan was really to Whitney, and the Sheehan loan really to Trustee R. A. C. Smith. Kling

was really to Whitney, and the Sheehan loan really to Trustee R. A. C. Smith. Kling asserts that the \$2,000,000 loan was made in violation also of the probibition against lending to any one borrower more than one-fifth of the capital and surpius of a trust company unless the collateral is worth 15 per cent. more than the amount of the loan. Of the loan to Louis F. Payn, State Superintendent of Insurance, Kling says that the collateral is "unsalable industrials with what purports to be a bank check for \$100,000." Kling also schedules some smaler loans of the company and impugns the security.

As to sufficiency of the collateral on the loans Supt. Kliburn makes the following statement:

"I have examined into the history of the loans to which my attention was called in the complain tor petition made by Mir. Abram Kling, and am satisfied that these loans are amply secured. Beyond an excessive loan of \$2,000,000 made to a representative of a syndicate, in which three of the directors were interested and which is amply secured, and an excess of about \$40,000 in a loan of \$500,000, which last loan has to-day been reduced to the legal limit, I do not believe that the condition of this company was ever better than at present. The directors interested in the \$2,000,000 loan offered to pay it at once, but at my suggestion the matter was left until the completion of the examination. Two of the three directors interested in the \$2,000,000 loan offered to pay it at once, but at my suggestion the matter was left until the completion of the examination. Two of the three directors interested in the \$2,000,000 cloan offered to pay it at once, but at my suggestion the matter was left until the completion of the seamination. Two of the three directors interested in the \$2,000,000 cloan offered to pay it at once, but at my suggestion the matter was left until the completion of the seamination. Two of the three directors interested in the speciate loan of \$2,000,000 cloan offered to pay it at once, but at my suggestion the matter wa

been remedied to day but for his request, it is proper for me to comment upon the motives of this attack and the character of the men associated with it.

"The petition is signed by Abram Kling. He was a director in the American Surety Company, of which I was President, belore I became President of the trust company. Several of our directors objected to his presence in the board and I caused that fact to be conveyed to him several times, with the further intimation that we should be bleased to have his resignation. Finally he did resign.

"The Examiner of the Banking Department, Gen. Avery D. Andrews, appeared here accompanied by Maurice Decker. Decker was Secretary of the Trust Company under its old management. Before accepting the presidency I compelled his resignation for cause. Decker assumed in his visit here with Gen. Andrews to represent the Banking Department, though it turns out now that he had no authority to do so. The allegations in King's petition were false, as Supt. Kilburn's official declaration determines, so that the whole scheme has miscarded and lailed.

"This company, as Mr. Kilburn officially states, was never in better condition than now. During the nine months of our centrol we have increased its surplus \$500,000, and increase greater than it had made in the whole ten years prior thereto. Our average deposits have doubled, and in every direction the company's business has prospered."

"In regard to that Paya loan" said a person who is able to speak of the affairs of the bank, 'the lacts are simply this. The State Trust Company did loan money to Mr. Payn as it had a perfect right to do. Mr. Payn put up good security and among the other papers was a check for \$100,000 that was drawn by the Metropolitan Street Railway Company on the State Trust Company and certified by the Grust of the company that this check was not to be held as collateral but to be applied as part payment of the loan. It was so applied and the rest of the loan. It was so applied and the rest of the Officers and trustees

# THIMBLE ON A HATPIN.

Woman's Shake-Measure Helps Get Damages From the Edison Plant.

Sarah A. Bly, who has a boarding house at 33 West Twenty-sixth street, adjoining a plant of the Edison Electric Hiuminating Company. obtained a decision against the company from Justice Truax of the Supreme Court yesterday for \$4,000 damages and an injunction restraining the operation of the plant in a way to cause the damage of which she complained. It was shown that she had a prosperous busi-ness before the erection of the plant about five

years ago, and that her boarders have left her from time to time complaining that the vibration and the noise prevented sleep. She had brought twenty-four of them to court to give such evidence. A woman boarder explained a device by which she determined the extent of the vibration. She put a hatpin in a pin eash on, and a thimble on top of the hatpin, and noted the movement of the thimble. The thimble was constantly moving while the thimble was constantly moving while the machinery was in motion. A number of the boarders gave evidence of the trembling of the foor and walls, and said that once a large riece of plaster was shaken down. There was evidence that smoke and cinders permeated the rooms, and an element of damages was the increase of the laundry bills of Mrs. Biy.

The Judge finds that the damages to her business resulting from the smoke, cinders and vibration amount to \$4,000, and directs that the injunct on issue to prevent such further injury. She sued for \$18,000.

The Hot Springs of Arkansas.

Owned and controlled by U. S. Government. Elegant Hotels, Arlington and Eastman, Golf. Address L. T. Hay, Manager, for booklet.—Adv.

Poland! Poland! Poland! Poland! Is the purest natural spring water in the world. MOTHER AND CHILDREN RURNED.

Three Lives Lost in a fire at Corons, L. I. Last Evening. CORONA, L. I., Jan. 13.-Three lives were lost

and two persons were injured in a fire to-night in the cottage of Thomas Campbell, a carpenter on Vine street, this village. Stephen Terhune, passing the house at 10 o'clock, noticed that the interior was in flames and raised the alarm. Campbell and his family, consisting of his wife, Elizabeth, Johnston Declares Kilng's Charges False. 49 years old; his daughter Jenn'e, 24 years old; Grace, 17 years old; Nellie, 14 years old, and his son Archie, 10 years old, had all retired for the night. Terhune's shouts awakened them and they made a rush for the windows. Campbell jumped in his night clothes and was badly burned about the body. but reached the ground in safety. Grace reached the ground without any injuries, but Nellie had all the hair of her head burned off. Mrs. Campbell on getting out of the house

uninjured discovered that Archie and Jennie were still in the house. She climbed in a window on the first floor in an attempt to rescue them, and she and the two children were burned to death. Beveral people of the neighborhood attempted to rescue them but were driven back by the flames. The house was almost completely destroyed. The Campbells were taken to the houses of the neighbors and are being cared for. They are relatives of Dr. Wickham, connected with the Health Department of the Borough of Queens.

## THIRTEEN WOMEN FAINTED.

Couldn't Stand the Heat at the Statinee

Performance of "Carmen." The temperature of the Metropolitan Opera House was stiffing yesterday and the women standing three rows deep at the rear of the orchestra seats had more than usual to strug. gle with. Thirteen of them succumbed during the afternoon to heat and fatigue. But they revived after a brief rest in the women's dressing rooms and it was noticed that they were all able to go back and listen to the performance.

## ST. PAUL NOT SIGHIED YET.

Etruria Got in Late Last Night and An-

chored Near the Southwest Spit. The Cunarder Etruria, from Liverpool Jan. 6. got in late last night and anchored near the Southwest Spit on account of the thick weather. The American liner St. Paul from Southampton Jan. 6. via Cherbourg, was not reported last night. It was so foggy that the observer at Sandy Hook could not see her if she anchored outside.

## INCOME TAX A FARCE.

South Carolina Legislature Repeals a Law Which Was Ignored.

COLUMBIA, S. C., Jan. 13,-The law imposing tax on incomes was to-day repealed by the Legislature without contest. It has proved farcical. Last year half the counties made no returns.

BANK SAFE BLOWN OPEN.

The Noise Aronsed a Neighbor and the

Burglars Fled Without Booty. RUSHFORD, N. Y., Jan. 13 .- Early this morning five burglars entered the Post Office at Rushford and the bank of Stacy & Kendall. which occupies the same building. Thomas Atwell, who lives near the Post Office was aroused at 2 o'clock by a tremendous explosion. Upon going to the door he saw a man in front of the building and spoke to him. The man fled and, at the same time, four others Now that the Superintendent of the Bank, and the Faint of the Land of the case and finds but two technical matters to criticise, both of which would have been remedied to-day butfor his request, it is proper for me to comment upon the motives of the safe belonging to the bank and had put this attack and the character of the men associated with it. door across the room. But the inner burglar-proof compartment was intact, as well as the \$8,000 it contained. Less than \$10 was secured \$8,000 it contained. Less than \$10 was secured in the post office.

The men had made preparations for leaving Rushford in a hurry, having, before beginning operations, hitched up two single rigs belonging to two young men of the town. These were kept in a barn near the Post Office. With these they left the village, and though at once pursued, no trace of them was discovered until 9 o'clock this morning, when the two horses were found loose at Beividere, on the Erie Raifroad. The men had undoubtedly escaped on a passing freight trait.

## on a passing freight train. MISS FARREL, PRIVATE SECRETARY. Daughter of a Millionaire Goes to Work in

Her Father's Office. Ansonia, Conn., Jan. 13.—Miss Elisé Farrel, whose father is worth from \$20,000,000 to \$25,000,000, drewher first pay as a working girl on Thursday. She grew tired of a life of ease and determined to earn a living. Her father is the Hon. Franklin Farrel, head of the Farrel Foundry and Machine Company, and an owner of several copper mines in the West. She is a graduate of Ogontz. She is also an She is a graduate of Ogentz. She is also an excellent whip and is often seen driving har big bay horse to a light rubber-tired runabout in the city streets and on country roads.

Recently the place of private secretary to Mr. Farrel became vacant and she applied for it. She was told that it needed a stenographer and typewriter, so she attended a business college in New Haven, mastered shortland quickly, and got the job. She attends to her business closely, being at her desk at 8 o'clock every morning, opening the mail and assorting it, receiving the answers to the letters from dictation, copying them, on, her typewriter, and tation, copying them on her typewriter, and sending them out. She declines all invitations of a social nature which interfere with her

### work and is an excellent secretary. ON COMPLAINT OF DR. SAYRE.

Sanity of a Trained Nurse Who Wouldn't Leave His Office to Be Inquired Into. Mrs. Ida H. Bauer, a trained nurse living at 111 Ellery street, Brooklyn, was locked up in the West Thirtieth street police station last

Mrs. Hauer, accompanied by a policeman, was driven to the police station in Dr. Sayre's private carriage. The physician followed in a runabout. Dr. Sayre told Sergt. Daly that the woman was a trained nurse whom he had frequently called on to attend his patients. "She came into my office this alternoon," the doctor said, "and acted strangely. She declared that she had been put out of her home and said that I must provide her with some place to live. She refused togo away and there was nothing for me to do but to call a policeman and have her arrested. I believe the woman is insans and would suggest that her sanity be inquired into."

Mrs. Bauer said her arrest was unwarranted but admitted that she had rejused to leave the doctor's house.

# MARRIAGE LICENSES FOR ALL.

Stamford's Town Clerk Won't Follow the Example of His Greenwich Brother.

GREENWICH, Conn., Jan. 13.-The action of Fown Clerk James R. Mead of Greenwich in declaring that hereafter he would not grant marriage licenses to divorced applicants meets | Holy Cress of the Episcopal Church, in an adwith hearty favor here. The other Town Clerks in the State, having read of it, and hearing that at the time of Perry Belmont's marriage the bridegroom paid Mr. Mend 550 for his services, instead of the customary \$1, are taking a different view of it. One of the first to come out and say so plainly is Town Clerk William Waterbury of Stamford. Mr. Waterbury is a Baptist and superintendent of the Sunday school there. Often he has been called from in the State, having read of it, and hearing that at the time of Perry Belmont's marriage the bridegroom paid Mr. Mead \$50 for his services, instead of the customary \$1, are taking a different view of it. One of the first to come out and say so plainly is Town Clerk William Waterbury of Stamford. Mr. Waterbury is a Baptist and superintendent of the Sunday sensol there. Often he has been called from his religious duties to act officially and heip couples from other cities in their marriages. He has done more of this than Town Clerk Mead, but the people married were not so well known as Ferry Belmont or Croker's nephew. "As my office is tun on up-to-late lines," he said, "I'll continue to issue ficenses as heretofore at any hour of the day or night."

A Day and a Night to Florida. Fiorida Special; 13th scason begins Jan. 18. Quickest to Georgia Resorts, Florida, Cuba, Nassan. Apply Atlantic Coast Line, 229 B way, N. Y.—Adv.

Cercle Francais de l'Harmonie Ball. Madison Square Garden, to-morrow night. -Ade.

# WRECK IS STILL NAMELESS.

EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO REACH THE BROKEN SHIP TO-DAY.

Bodies Seen in the Wreckage - Nothing Washed Ashore to Identify the Ship Lost on the Newfoundland Coast-French

Cable Steamer Comes Into Port Safely. St. Johns, N. F., Jan. 13.—The gale is abating toward nightfull, the wind is off shore, and it is expected that the fishermen in the neighborhood of the wrecked ship in St. Mary's Bay will be able to get off to her early in the moraing. Parties of men are constantly watching near the scene of the wreck, and big fires will be kept going all night to attract any possible castaways in boats. Men and boats have been sent to the nearest cove, ready for launching when the sea permits, and tackles have been erected on the cliff over Sculpin Cove to recover dead bodies there.

The coast for miles is littered with wreckage. The ship evidently had a large amount of kerosene oil in her cargo. The oil is floating about for miles, tending to smooth the waters and make easier the task of getting to the wreck. She is now submerged and doubtless in p eces, but the fishermen are expert wreckers and will soon locate her name when they get to her. Little property is drifting to land to-day, the wind being off-shere. Several bodies have been seen among the wreckage, and all these are likely to be recovered to-morrow.

The fact that the deckhouse at the stern of the ship was the seat of the fire which ravaged her on Thursday makes it possible that the ship's log and papers and other material which would identify her are all destroyed. It was feared to-day that the ship may have siid off into deep water at the outer edge of the shelving rock. In this case, divers would have to be sent down to identify her.

It was thought at one time to-day that the wrecked ship was the French cable ship François Arago, but the latter came into port to-night. She is short of coal and had rough weather. She goes cable repairing off Cape Race next week.

Within the past few years the steamers Texas, Arbela, Sunrise, Capulet, Delta, Prodano, Canima and many others have gone ashore in this vicinity, some with loss of life but this is the most complete disaster of all When the Scotsman was lost near Beile Isle last fall only 77 persons out of the 400 aboard perished. Why the steamer got into her present position

puzzles all those acquainted with the locality Wednesday night was fine and clear, save for occasional snow squalls, and seamen argue that,if ordinary precautions had been observed by lookouts, she should never have taken the course which sent her ashore. It is confidently expected to learn her

name, and whether she carried passengers, early in the morning.

SHOT A NEWSPAPER'S OWNERS. A Denver Attorney Wounds the Proprietors of the "Evening Post" of That City.

DENVER, Col., Jan. 13 .- F. G. Bonfiels and H. H. Tammen, proprietors of the Erening Post, were shot and severely wounded by W. W. Anderson, a well-known local attorney, about noon to-day. The affray took place in the private offices of the wounded men in the Post Building. Five shots were fired and four of them took effect, each man being struck twice. Bonfiels is the most seriously injured. He has a dangerous wound in the left lung, the bullet penetrating the apex. He was also hit in the arm. Tammen was wounded in the wrist and in the shoulder. The bullet that inflicted the latter wound deflected and sped across the chest from the left shoulder to the right, bus did not penet are comparatively slight, but Bonfiels may

Regarding the cause of the shooting Manage ing Editor Carroll of the Post said: "The well-known Packer case was at the bottom of the difficulty. Anderson, who was Packer's attorney, believed that he could open the case again on the grounds that Packer had been convicted in a State court, whereas his crime had been committed on a Government reservation and that consequently he should have been held to trial by the United States authorities. The Post agreed to help him to reopen the case if he would consent to let I. N.

injured mortally.

Stevens, the Post's attorney, direct the case. To this Anderson agreed. "'Polly Pry' recently visited Packer and discovered that Anderson had secured \$25 from him, to be used in the work of the case. Anderson represented that he was one of the directors of the Post and as the Post has championed his cause, Packer turned over the money. The action on Anderson's part naturally incensed Mr. Tammen and Mr. Bonfiels and they sent for Anderson, They charged him with the false representations he had made and a quar-

rel ensued."

HIS LIFE SAVED BY HIS DOG. The Dog Attacked a Bull That Had Tossed

His Master and Begun to Gore Him. LOCKPORT, N. Y., Jan. 13.—Charles Curry of Clinton street owes his life to his faithful dog He was going through the barnyard of the Bewley Brothers on the Lake Avenue Stock Farm, when a vicious bull charged at him. Before he could reach the fence the animal overtook him, tossed him in the air and then began to gore the prostrate man. The dog seized the bull by the tail, the pain causing the animal to turn from Mr. Curry and attack the canine. Mr. Curry was unconscious and could not take advantage of the diversion. Several times the buil tried to get at the man, but the night on the technical charge of disorderly conduct. Dr. Reginald H. Sayre of 258 Fifth avenue made the complaint.

Mrs. Hauer, accompanied by a policeman, was driven to the pollee station in Dr. Sayre's private carriage. The physician followed in a runabout. Dr. Sayre told Sergt. Daly that the woman was a trained nurse whom he had from the pollee station in Dr. Sayre's did into the fence, his faithful dog following him. Dr. Cagnon attended him, and his knee wrenched.

Michigan Beats Chicago in Debate.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Jan. 13.-Michigan triumphed over Chicago in the intercollegiate debate last night. The subject was: "Resolved. That municipal ownership and the operation of street railways is preferable to ownership and operation by private corporations." Chicago supported the affirmative and Michigan the negative. Chicayo was represented by Arthur E. Bestor, Robert R. McClure and Benjamin Samuels. Michigan's bostion was defen-ded by Gustavus A. Onlinger, Martin A. Car-moody, and Albert M. Clowd. Ex-Secretary of War Alger presided. The decision of the judges was unanimous.

CHICAGO, Jan. 13 - The Rev. Father James V. S. Huntington, Superior of the Order of the

Hurt in a Liquid Air Explosion

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Jan. 13.-During a public exhibition of the properties of liquid air. given by Prof. P. C. Freer, in the Unitarian Church last night, an explosion occurred which injured Frof. Freer painfully. Liquid air was produced by a new plant presented to the university by C. F. Brush of Cleveland. Prof. Freer dropped some ether into a test tube of the liquid and a violent explosion resulted.

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